Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 03 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 04 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 02 Dec 2023 at 17:17 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high for staying cold and mostly dry on Sunday. Moderate for extent of snow showers and wind strength on Monday. High for generally fine settled conditions on Tuesday. Low confidence for timing of milder, stormy conditions Wednesday or Thursday.

Headline for Sunday 03 Dec 2023: Cold and mainly dry. Some bright spells in the morning. Cloudier in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 03 Dec 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
						FOG	FOG
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Fog	Fog
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	<05%	10%	20%	20%

Forecast for Sunday 03 Dec 2023

Weather: Dry cold and cloudy through the early hours. Then a cold, mostly dry day. Patchy cloud in the morning. Cloud thickens in the afternoon, and evening, giving a few light snow flurries across the Aberdeenshire and Anus hills.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, falling to 20% around dusk

Low Cloud and visibility: Good or very good visibility through the day with patchy cloud occasionally affecting the higher summits. More extensive cloud lowering to 800m late afternoon or early evening.

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Forecast for Sunday 03 Dec 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	7/8 S	5/6 S	5/6 S	8/10 SE	8/10 SE	9/12 E	13/17 NE	16/20 NE	17/21 NE
900	6/8 S	4/6 S	4/6 S	6/9 SE	6/8 SE	7/10 E	9/12 NE	9/14 NE	10/14 NE
600	2/3 SE	2/3 W	2/3 SE	2/4 SE	3/5 S	3/6 SE	3/7 E	3/8 E	4/9 NE
300	2/6 SW	2/4 W	1/3 NW	2/4 NW	2/4 W	2/5 NW	4/9 N	3/8 NW	4/11 N
Glen	2/3 SW	2/4 W	2/4 W	2/4 W	2/4 W	2/5 W	3/7 NW	3/6 NW	3/8 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-6/-10	-6/-10	-6/-10	-6/-12	-6/-10	-6/-11	-6/-13	-6/-13	-5/-13
900	-4/-8	-5/-9	-5/-9	-5/-10	-4/-8	-4/-8	-4/-10	-4/-9	-4/-9
600	-4/-6	-5/-7	-6/-8	-5/-7	-3/-5	-3/-5	-3/-6	-2/-5	-2/-5
300	-4/-6	-4/-6	-4/-6	-3/-6	-0/-2	-1/-3	-1/-3	-0/-2	0/-2
Glen	-4/-6	-4/-6	-4/-6	-3/-5	0/-2	-1/-3	-0/-2	-0/-2	1/-1
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	100m	100m	200m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Moderate easterly winds will lead to a significant wind chill in the afternoon.

Forecast for Monday 04 Dec 2023

Weather: Low cloud persistent with snow showers becoming frequent and occasionally heavy by dawn. Showers are likely to persist for much of the day, although some uncertainty in frequency during the afternoon. Showers most frequent across eastern hills. Turning dry across the Perthshire hills late afternoon. All ranges likely to be dry overnight.

Maximum wind: Northeast 20 gusting 30 mph, becoming North 15 gusting 20-25 mph in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10% or less

Low Cloud and visibility: Visibility mostly very poor in low cloud and frequent showers, down to less than 100m in heavy snow showers. Cloud bases around 60-7000m, but may lift to around munro level between showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 Celsius rising to plus 2 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 2 or 3 Celsius.

Freezing level: 400m rising to 600-700m after dawn.

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